

DECEMBER FRIDAY NOTES EXTRA....

December 15, 2006



WINTER HOLIDAY BREAK

½ DAY SCHOOL: December 19th Out at 1:00 PM

NO SCHOOL: December 20 – Thru January 1

SCHOOL RE-STARTS: JANUARY 2ND

NDPA BOARD SENDS HOLIDAY GREETINGS:

The Board would like to extend to our NDPA Family, wishes for a wonderful holiday season. We are honored to be associated with so many quality students, parents, administration, faculty, and staff. We desire each of you to experience the very best the holidays can present. Peace and Goodwill to all. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

NDPA BOARD UPDATES:

The Board of Directors met on December 6, 2007 Minutes of the October 4th meeting were approved for posting. These minutes can be viewed on the Website, northdavisprep.org in detail. December minutes will be posted following board approval. A summary of the October minutes is as follows:

The meeting was called to order by President Monte Poll and introductory items including welcome and introductions followed. Pledge of Allegiance by Sharon Sevy and the NDPA Vision Statement by Trent Brown were given.

A motion by Trent Brown and a second by Kim Valeika with a unanimous approval of Consent items of the August Board Meeting minutes and Personnel actions came next.

Deborrah Gomberg Report:

A report on the staff, educational improvements Enrollment, Implementation of Programs, Grade system on the Website, Training on Special Education paper work processes was reported. The school has achieved AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) in all 40 categories.

Academica West -Sheldon Killpack

A report on new Academica West employees was given: Kim Dohrer is assisting charters with Grant applications. Phil Orton in technology has been working with Janice McReaken and Diane Linford on the Website Calendar information. Emily Coon is working with the charter principals on a reports binder for handling the various steps of state and federal reports.

Trent Brown

Trent has been working with Brad Taylor of Academica West on Budget items. All is going well.

Kim Valeika

A report on the recent book fair with earnings of \$1300 was given and \$500 will be donated to the library. She also mentioned the upcoming 5K Run and Carnival. A review of the last years money commitments with additional feedback is being reviewed on how to spend money that is raised. Deborrah Gomberg gave a public

Thank you to the Parent Organization for all the help given to implement the reading program.

New Business Items:

A motion to table the Employee Manual until the next meeting was given and passes.

UPIPS – This does not need to be voted on. Not discussed.

CUSAP (Consolidated Utah Student Achievement Plan) Proposal by Deborrah Gomberg was reviewed, and passed.

Sharon Sevy reported that teachers at NDPA are every bit as wonderful, if not better than others seen in regular schools.

Motion to Adjourn was motioned and seconded and meeting was adjourned.

PRINCIPAL GOMBERG HOLIDAY WISHES:

As the 2006 calendar year is quickly coming to a close, I wish each of our NDPA family members “Happy Holidays” filled with peace, love and joy. At this enjoyable time of year, please know how much we value your students and families. We are truly thankful and blessed that you have chosen to have NDPA in your lives. We look forward to seeing the students back on January 2nd 2007. Please remember that December 18, is a full day of school. December 19th is an early release day with school dismissal at 1:00PM. School is then on “Winter break” until January 2nd. Again, be “merry and bright”, “safe and healthy” and enjoy your holidays!

See you next year!
Mrs. Gomberg

POET MESSAGE :

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Take a moment between all the hustle and bustle of the Christmas and holiday season and give yourself a pat on the back. You have been giving the best gift there is to give - the gift of your time and selfless service. The time and effort that you spend helping our students really does make a difference and it will be felt for a long time to come.

By the time we come back to school after the holidays, we will be half way through another school year! We are on the downward side of a big hill that we have all climbed together. Please remember your commitment to our students as we finish up this last half of the year. I want to thank you all for EVERYTHING you have done so far - the POET could not have accomplished all the fun activities we have had without YOU! There are lots more exciting events coming up. Please check this Friday notes edition for information and take a peek at the calendar for January.

The POET board wishes everyone in our school family the very best this Christmas and Holiday season. Have a Merry Christmas!!

Kim Valeika (POET)

PARENTS, WE NEED TRAFFIC HELP:

Parents picking up students from the front entrance of the school utilizing Cold Creek Way need to be aware that U turns in front of the established traffic pattern are out of compliance with the Layton City Police Department recommended guidelines. It potentially causes a safety issue and you can be ticketed. NO STUDENT should be picked up along the curb of Cold Creek Way. ALL STUDENTS are to be picked up in the approved pick up area. Parents choosing to park short term in the lot across from the school and walk over to gather their students must accompany them across the street in a safe manner. Please understand that your crossing the street with children often causes a slow down of the school system. Please be courteous and helpful being part of a solution not causing greater problems.

AFTER-SCHOOL ART STUDENTS and PARENTS:

This past week's art class was the very last one in our Session 1 art program. We have had a lot of fun over the past 10 weeks, but need to give our creative brains a break. Thank you to all the parents who have helped us out and also to the students for the amazing projects they completed. We have all new projects scheduled for our Session 2 art program, which will begin the first Wednesday in February 2007. We look forward to seeing all our artists again and welcome new ones too. More information will be sent home following the Holiday Break.

Submitted by Erinne Roundy

POET REIMBURSEMENTS:

Just a reminder that if you are awaiting a reimbursement from POET, please check the bulletin board behind the POET desk in the lobby. There are a few envelopes with names on them waiting to be picked up. Also, if you are submitting a reimbursement you need to get an approval and a signature on a check request form from the POET leader who is over your committee.

Check request forms are in the filing cabinet behind the POET desk in the green folder. If you'd like your reimbursement check sent to you, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your request. Otherwise, we will try to contact you and leave it on the bulletin board. If you indicate on your form that you'd like it sent home with your student please let us know their name, grade, and teacher. Please contact the POET member over your committee or KimValeika if you have any questions.

IT'S SPELLING BEE TIME:

It's Spelling Bee time, again! The classroom competitions will take place on January 11th. The three finalists from each class will go on to the final spelling bee on January 18th. The 1st grade

through 3rd grade spelling bee will be at 6:00 P.M. and the 4th grade through 6th grade spelling bee will be at 7:00 P.M.

The winners of the 4th-6th Spelling Bee finals will have an opportunity this year to go onto a countywide Spelling Bee sponsored by the Davis County Clipper. The winner will have the opportunity to go onto the National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C. The study guide for the Class Spelling Bee is attached.

If there are any questions, please call Kristin Elinkowski at 544-2216 or Lori Cebollero at 543-1838.

DID YOU PURCHASE YOUR YEARBOOK YET?

Today is the deadline for the early-bird discount. If you haven't reserved yours yet, it isn't too late! After today, yearbooks are \$12.00. Extra forms are at the POET desk. All orders have a final deadline of January 31st. Don't miss out!

GOLD MEDAL MILE

Try this recipe for yummy, low-fat chocolate chip cookies!

Ingredients:

- 1 ½ cups All-purpose flour
- ½ tsp Baking soda
- ¼ tsp Salt
- ½ cup Stick margarine
- ½ cup Powdered sugar
- ¼ cup Brown sugar - firmly packed
- 1 Egg
- ¼ cup Unsweetened applesauce
- 2 Tbsp Low fat (1%) milk
- 2 tsp Vanilla Extract
- ½ cup Chocolate Chips

Preparation Instructions

- 1 Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.
Spray 2 baking sheets with nonstick cooking spray.
- 2 In a small bowl, whisk together the flour, baking soda, and salt.
- 3 In a large bowl, with an electric mixer at medium speed, beat the margarine until fluffy. Add the sugars, egg, applesauce, milk, and vanilla and beat 1 minute.
Slowly add the flour mixture and beat until combined, about 1 minute.
Stir in the chocolate chips.
- 4 Drop the dough by teaspoonfuls onto the prepared baking sheet. Bake until lightly browned, 14-16 minutes.
Remove and cool on a baking rack.

LUNCH MENUS FOR NEXT WEEK: DECEMBER 18 & 19

All lunches come with a choice of side dish, Fruit and Vegetable Bar and Milk Choice. Addition snack items are available each day for an additional cost of .30 cents per item.

18 Fish Shapes or Chicken Tater Tots Fruit Bites	19 EARLY OUT Taco or Taco Salad	20	21	22
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